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Comments: This is in regard to HJR153.

The benefits of putting lines underground are numerous. In VA and NC 1.8 million homes lost electricity as trees landed on power lines and power lines snapped. That's 1.8 million reasons right there. The costs of burying the lines should be shared by the utilities involved. Rather than give themselves huge bonuses, the money should be applied to burying cables. If the total amount paid out in overtime to local companies and money paid to out of state workers was totaled up I'm sure it would have been equal to the cost of burying lines. Any new construction of subdivisions or shopping centers should have to bury cable. After that hospitals, nursing homes, and developments/condos/apartment buildings where the majority of the residents are senior citizens should be done first.